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The State of Georgia, Department of Public Safety, requests that a waiver be granted to the October 23, 2007 deadline for submitting 700 MHZ Relocation Certification Information. The circumstances concerning the request for waiver are listed below:

- 1. The State of Georgia, Department of Public Safety, initiated an aggressive fielding of new digital mobile and portable equipment early in 2007 and basically completed the fielding by August 2007. This mobile system utilizes two 700MHZ paired frequencies in what is now the 700MHZ Public Safety Broadband Allocation.
- 2. This action was planned and funded many months prior to the FCC issuance of the Second Report and Order.
- The State of Georgia 700MHZ Regional Plan has yet to be drafted or submitted for review. This has caused a lack of direction for agencies desiring to utilize these frequencies.
- 4. At the time of fielding the new system, the State of Georgia APCO Frequency Advisor was in the process of retiring. This void of an experienced advisor resulted in no information being provided as to frequency rebanding or deadlines for submitting the required Relocation Certification.

The following information required for submission in the original Relocation Certification is provided:

- 1. The total number of mobile and portable handsets
  - a. Mobiles-331
  - b. Portables-348
  - c. DVRs-331
- 2. Areas of operation-Geographical boundary of the State of Georgia
- 3. The total number of base stations-0 (The 700MHZ frequencies are for mobile to Portable communication only.)
- 4. Location of base stations- N/A
- 5. Contact Information- Mr. Dan Brown, 404-624-7016.

Based upon the above information and the scope of the equipment currently deployed, it is requested that a waiver be granted and that this system be incorporated into the plan for reimbursement for relocation costs.

Sincerely,

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